

## MEDIA RELEASE

Date: January 5, 2019

Incident Number: 19-0001151

Information Contact: Luis Manzano, Fire Captain

Incident Type: Barranca Fire

Date/Time of Incident: January 5, 2019/04:08 AM

Incident Location: Arundell Barranca to the rear of Whittier Ct.

Cause: Under Investigation

Injuries: None

Number of Personnel: 13

Fire Equipment: 4 Engines, 1 Command

Agencies Involved: Ventura City Fire Department, Ventura City Parks Department

Narrative: On the above date and time the Ventura County Fire Communication Center received multiple reports of a structure fire in the area of Whittier Ct in the City of Ventura. Ventura City Fire Department resources were quickly dispatched and arrived to find a fire burning in heavy vegetation in the Arundell Barranca to the rear of the reported address. The first arriving fire resources reported a well-established ¼ acre vegetation and tree fire burning in and around the Arundell Barranca adjacent to Camino Real Park. Early detection by alert residents and the quick actions of firefighters using multiple hand lines to contain, control and extinguish the fire eliminated the threat to residential exposures and property. The fire was contained to a ¼ acre and only damaged approx. 30' of Ventura Parks Department wood fence line as a result of fire spread.

The quick and coordinated actions of firefighters eliminated the immediate impact to any residential structures or residential property. Fire resources were committed for approximately 2 hours and no civilian or fire personnel injuries were reported. The cause of the fire is under investigation and the incident was release to Ventura Parks Department for vegetation removal and fence line repairs.

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